

industrious, willing hands, we would have fallen far short of our achievement. She became president of the ward Relief Society at the time of the birth of our second child, and has served more than a quarter of a century in this field, both as ward and stake president, as well as taking an active part in all other auxiliaries, of both the stake and ward. Many of our neighbors who had less than half our number of children (four sons and ten daughters) and double our revenue, often made the remark that D. A. must have access to a pot of gold, for we can neither send our children on missions nor to college for want of revenue. Mother's handy and efficient fingers and the practical skills she had developed in preparation for her part in life's service, as she applied her art in renovating, remodeling and making over the wearing apparels; with a strict economy in all her habits, has been really the foundation for our success. Truly the wife and mother in the home has the greater part of the load to carry. We have made ours a full, co-operative program. Mother has always, not only been willing, but also has urged that the head of the house should respond to every duty, sacrificing social pleasures for the weightier matters of the mission of life."

To his family, D. A. often said: "Be ashamed to cease serving until the last breath of life has been drawn," and he and his wife literally fulfilled this motto.

### DAVID A. MIMA MURDOCK BROADBENT



David Albert Broadbent was born at Goshen, Utah County, on May 14, 1871, the fifth child of Mary Jane Nuttle and his

father, who had three divisions of his family of 31 children. Mary Jane was the second wife, and her family consisted of seven sons and four daughters.

The parents were emigrants from England and were among the first settlers of Monroe, Sevier County. They began their life in a dugout, but were soon driven by the Indians from their home and took refuge at Spring City, Sanpete County. Shortly after they settled in Spring City, Goshen, Utah County, was opened for settlement, and the family moved there.

David was born while the family was in Goshen, and at the age of six years he was given responsibility with his eight-year-old brother Joseph to tend the town herd of cows in the foothills of the Santaquin Mountains.

When David was 14, the family returned to Monroe, Sevier County, and it was here that David worked seven years on the farm. As he approached his twenty-first birthday he left home to gain an education. He enrolled at Brigham Young University in January of 1893, and for four years worked his way through school, receiving no assistance from any source other than his own efforts. At the time of his graduation in 1897 he had consistently been on the honor roll and had more hours of scholastic credit in the institution than any other member of the class of that year.

At the time of graduation he was called by President Wilford Woodruff to fill a mission in the South Sea Islands, primarily to translate the Book of Mormon. However, it was later decided he should be called to organize a Church school at Graham County, Arizona. When the saints in that area could not obtain a suitable building for the school, David was appointed to serve in the Southern States Mission. He left for Tennessee on January 6, 1898, and filled an honorable mission for the Church.

When he returned from the South he worked at the Golden Gate Mills in Tooele until the opening of schools in September, 1900, when he became principal and teacher in Charleston School.

For 37 years, Mr. Broadbent served the people of Wasatch County and the state of Utah in public and in Church school positions. He began in Charleston, where he

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organized and graded the students for the first time in their history. He was the principal and teacher of four grades, with 64 students in his departments.

The present school building was erected, and an eight-grade school was operating when he was appointed principal in the Heber schools. During the six years he served there he took the lead in convincing the several boards of school trustees that Wasatch County could serve itself with a local high school for all those in the county, rather than having a few leave the county for high school training.

The trustees supported him in the move, and the first Wasatch High School was organized, with J. William Robinson as principal. This work continued to grow into a consolidated school district.

Mr. Broadbent served 13 years as superintendent of Wasatch district schools, during which period most of the school buildings, including the high school, were constructed.

While superintendent, he organized a 12-month program for all students in the county, in which work and the development of skills, as well as the regular courses provided in scholastic subjects, articulated with the home and the Church, and went so far as to give credit for work done in literature, music and other activities of the boys who spent their summers on the range with flocks and herds.

This program, when in operation, drew the attention of Dr. E. A. Winship of New York, who declared it to be the most practical and complete of any he had found in the nation at that time.

As he served in educational capacities, he also found time to fill civic and Church responsibilities. He served as president of the Charlestown town board and also was president of the Wasatch Chamber of Commerce. He took an active part in organizing Wasatch County Fair, of which he was president several years. He also established what was known as the "Range Roundup Outing," which was primarily for 4-H Club boys and FFA members and their parents. They would go onto the ranges in the summer and study the various feeds and their values, with experts as the instructors.

As president of the Chamber of Commerce he was instrumental in getting the State Legislature to pass a law which priv-

ileged each county to levy a local tax for memorial purposes after World War I. As a result of this enactment and the cooperation of the citizens of Wasatch County, the present Memorial Hill and the spiral road were constructed.

For nearly 20 years he served the Boy Scouts of America in a devoted manner. He also was superintendent of construction of reservoirs at the head of Provo Canyon.

Since his days in the Aaronic Priesthood, D. A. Broadbent was active in the LDS Church. He was president of his Teachers' Quorum in Elsinore, and throughout his life held responsible positions. He served in virtually all the priesthood and auxiliary organizations, except for the Relief Society and Primary, and his wife worked diligently in those organizations for more than 40 years.

Throughout his years he served as a counselor in Heber Second Ward bishopric for 12 years, was stake clerk for three years, then second counselor in the stake presidency, for four years the first counselor and for nine years the stake president. He was serving as stake president when called to preside over the North Central States Mission of the Church, which calling he held for some 40 months.

After returning from the mission field he served in the presidency of the Salt Lake Temple nearly four years to climax his busy life of Church service.

On May 1, 1901, he and Mima M. Murdock were married in the Manti Temple and began their happy years of married life. As they began their marriage they established five goals: 1. To rear a large family; 2. To have them all baptized on their eighth birthday; 3. To assist each to a college degree, or some other field of achievement to make them socially secure; 4. Have all of them married in the temple; and 5. All the boys and as many of the girls as might be possible to fulfill missions for the Church.

D. A. and Mima lived to see all of their goals accomplished.

Of his wife, D. A. wrote in his later years concerning the accomplishments of their family:

"The greatest share of the credit for this program's achievement is due to the noble mother. Without complete cooperation and



United States and in the field of medicine and surgery he ranks among the ablest men in Utah.

As a young man he chose as his ideal and exemplar a distinguished physician and surgeon of Salt Lake City, Dr. George W. Middleton, and he has always attributed much of the success which he has gained to the influence, encouragement and guidance of that remarkable surgeon.

Soon after locating at St. George he was elected vice president of the Chamber of Commerce. Since 1928 he has been vice president of the Board of Education of his district, in 1932 was elected president of the St. George Rotary Club, and in June, 1932, was appointed a special delegate to attend the International Rotary Convention at Seattle.

In politics he is a Republican. Throughout the World war he was head of the Civil Service Commission of Washington County, and as chairman of the committee to raise the quota allotted to the county he conducted a successful campaign so that the county at an early date "went over the top."

Since early youth he has been a loyal churchman. He was formerly in the stake presidency of the Sunday Schools of the Parowan Stake and at Beaver for a number of years acted as first counselor to Bishop George Parkinson.

November 21, 1895, Doctor McGregor married Miss Alma Gertrude Watson, daughter of Lorenzo Dow and Sarah Melissa (Clark) Watson, of a prominent Parowan family. All the children born to this marriage are high school graduates and all of them have attended college. They are: Wanda, wife of the late Karl N. Snow, of St. George, and mother of six children; LaBerta, a graduate of the University of Utah, wife of Ben Sorenson, of St. George; Alpine W., now attending the medical department of the University of Maryland, at Baltimore, has been twice married, having two children by his first wife and two children by his marriage to Miss May McClain; Gertrude is the wife of Joseph McArthur, of Cedar City, and has one child; Lorenzo W. married Miss Minnie Hafen and is attending the medical department of the University of Maryland; Karma is a student at the University of Baltimore, and Mary is attending the Dixie College at St. George. Doctor McGregor's second wife was Bertha Pendexter Watson. They have two children: Donald, a student in the Brigham Young University at Provo; and Mar W., who recently was appointed president of the Student Body of Dixie College. They also have an adopted daughter, Zola, who is now eight years of age.

DAVID A. BROADBENT, prominent Utah educator, president of the Wasatch Stake, is a resident of Heber City.

Mr. Broadbent is a native of Utah, born at Goshen in Utah County, May 14, 1871, son of Thomas and Mary Jane (Nuttall) Broadbent. His parents were born and reared in Lancastershire, England, where they became early converts to the faith of the Church of Latter Day Saints. Thomas Broadbent was a pioneer of the Sanpete Valley, but with other settlers was driven out by Indians. In 1866 he settled in the Goshen district of Utah County,

where he continued his useful life as a farmer and a loyal churchman. He was especially active in the musical department of church work.

After the advantages of the public schools in his home locality David A. Broadbent entered Brigham Young University at Provo, where he graduated with the degree Bachelor of Pedagogy in 1897. Subsequently by attending summer sessions of the University of Utah he was granted in 1916 the degree Bachelor of Science. In 1897 he was sent on a mission for his church to the southern states. On his return he became in 1900 a teacher and principal of the public schools at Charleston, Wasatch County. In 1904 he was chosen principal of the public schools of Heber City. His next important honor and responsibility in educational affairs was his election in 1910 as county superintendent of schools for Wasatch County. He served in that office thirteen years, and since 1923 he has been principal of the Latter Day Saints Seminary at Heber City. His work and influence as an educator in local schools have been broadened to a larger service over the state, particularly through his activity with J. Preston Creer and A. C. Nelson, the latter being state superintendent of public instruction, in the movement for the consolidation of the schools as a means of bringing the advantages of standardized school efficiency to the children of communities which could not otherwise support first class schools. Mr. Broadbent for one term was president of the Superintendents Division of the Utah Educational Association and for one term was a member of the State Textbook Commission.

Since early youth he has filled a succession of responsibilities in his church. He was chosen and sustained as president of the Wasatch Stake March 11, 1928. For three years he was president of the Young Men's Mutual Improvement Association, for one year was Sunday School superintendent for the Charleston Ward, for three years a member of the superintendency of the Sunday Schools in Wasatch Stake, for twelve years a counselor to the bishop of the Second Ward of Heber. He was also stake clerk for two years, second counselor to the stake president three years and first counselor for six years.

Mr. Broadbent has important business interests, he and one of his brothers being active in the sheep industry in Wyoming and he also owns farming land and live stock in his home district. He is a past president of the Heber Chamber of Commerce. He gave his active support to the movement resulting in the location of the Woods-Cross Canning Company at Heber City.

In the Latter Day Saints Temple at Manti, May 1, 1901, Mr. Broadbent married Miss Mima M. Murdock, daughter of Joseph R. and Margaret (Wright) Murdock, of Charleston, Wasatch County. Mrs. Broadbent is a zealous church worker, having been president of the ward and stake relief societies for a quarter of a century. Of their children the oldest is Joseph Grant. He is a Bachelor of Arts graduate of Brigham Young University, filled a church mission in Texas, and is now in charge of the live stock interests in Wyoming. Vida is the wife of Leland P. Wentz and they reside at Chicago. Naomi, who graduated with the Master of Arts degree

from the Northwestern School of Speech at Chicago, is a high school teacher of dramatic art. Leah served on a mission in Minnesota and is now a teacher in the public schools. Margaret, a Bachelor of Arts graduate of Brigham Young University, where she was also assistant registrar and secretary to Dean Merrill, is a teacher in the business department of the Moroni High School. Dee Albert has completed two years of work in the Brigham Young University and is on a church mission in California. The names of the other and younger children of Mr. and Mrs. Broadbent are: Mary, a freshman in Brigham Young University; Mima, Emer E., Harvey, Clara (deceased), Sarah M., Helen, and Zina (deceased).

NIELS PALLESEN, postmaster of Manila, Daggett County, has been a resident of Utah for over a quarter of a century, and during that time has done effective work as a school man, rancher and in public office. He is a straight thinking, independent acting citizen, and his sound judgment has made him frequently sought for council and advice.

Mr. Pallesen was born at Kjelerup, Denmark, March 15, 1883, son of Peter and Mary (Petersen) Pallesen. His father brought his family to America in 1889, when Niels was six years old. The family located on a pioneer homestead in Howard County, Nebraska, and his father lived there, going through the hardships of pioneering and eventually reaping the measure of prosperity that rewarded those who stuck through the period of difficulties and hard times. He was a member of the Masonic fraternity. He died in 1926 and his wife is now living at Dannebrog, Nebraska.

Niels Pallesen secured his early education in the schools of Howard County and later attended the Nebraska State Teachers College at Fremont. He came west to put his training and qualifications as a teacher to test and for several years lived in Western Wyoming, teaching in Sweetwater County and in Uinta County in that state. In 1906 he moved to Uinta County, Utah, and continued teaching there. He built a school on the border between Uinta County, Utah, and Sweetwater County, Wyoming. The school was attended by pupils from both sides of the state line, and it was one of the few public schools probably in the entire country supported by people from two states. While teaching Mr. Pallesen turned his resources to ranching, and for a number of years has been raising cattle and sheep in Daggett County.

Politically he has been identified with the Democratic party, though he is known as a man of independent action in politics as in everything else. For five years he served as county commissioner after Daggett County was organized and he was secretary of the County Democratic Committee. In 1925 he was appointed postmaster of Manila, and has filled that office for the past six years.

Mr. Pallesen married at Burnt Fork, Wyoming, in 1908, Miss Dora Pearson, daughter of William and Luch Pearson, who came from Indiana and were early settlers in Wyoming. Mrs. Pallesen attended school in Sweetwater County, Wyoming. To their marriage were born six children: Wilbur, born October 24, 1911, was